Invitation for Bids (IFB)

Federal Government of Nigeria Science and Technology Education Post Basic Project (Step-B Project)

Credit No. 4304-Uni

Procurement and Installation of ICT Equipment, Upgrading of ICT Infrastructure and Deployment of Fibre Optic Network at the University of Uyo, Uyo, AkwaIbom State, Nigeria

1. The Federal Government of Nigeria through Ministry of Education has received credit from the International Development Association(IDA) toward the cost of the STEP-B project and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this IFB for the Procurement and Installation of ICT Equipment, Upgrading of ICT Infrastructure and Deployment of Fibre Optic Network-STEP-B/UNU/NCB/GDS/01/2012.

2. The University of Uyo, Nigeria, participating in project implementation now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Procurement and Installation of the following:

Lot	Description	Quantity	Delivery Period	Bid Security	Delivery Location
1	Fibre Network Deployment	Various	60 days	At least 2.5% of the bid price	University of Uyo
2	Deployment of Servers and Power Back-up	Various	60 days	At least 2.5% of the bid price	University of Uyo
3	Supply and Installation of Wireless Internet infrastructure	Various	60 days	At least 2.5% of the bid price	University of Uyo

4	Procurement and Installation of Video Conferencing Equipment	Various	60 days	At least 2.5% of the bid price	University of Uyo

Bidders may bid for any one or more lots and discounts offered for the award of combined lots will be considered in bid evaluation.

3. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB), a procedure specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans

and IDA Credits, and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the Guidelines.

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from The Project Manager, STEP-B, University of Uyo, and inspect the Bidding Documents from 10:00am to 4:00pm Mondays to Fridays except public holidays.

- 5. Qualifications requirements include:
 - Evidence of previous supply (sale) of similar equipment proposed for the last (five) 5 years.
 - Audited financial statements for the last three (3) years to demonstrate the financial capability of the bidder in terms of profitability and adequate working capital; and
 - A manufacturer's authorization for equipment not produced by the bidder.

6. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of N15,000.00 (Fifteen Thousand Naira) only. The method of payment will be by Bank Draft in favor of STEP-B Project, University of Uyo. The Bidding Documents will be collected by the representative of the Bidder or by courier services upon a formal request and at the bidder's cost.

7. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 25th September, 2012 by 11.00am. Electronic bidding will not be permitted and late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives, who choose to attend in person at the address below on 25thSeptember, 2012 by at 11.00am. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of at least 2.5% of bid price.

8. The attention of prospective Bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the Bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded World Bank-financed contracts.

9. The address referred to above is:

The Project Manager,

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Akwa Ibom State

Signed

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